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In re Application of

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Sir:

In accordance with MPEP 609 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants bring the references listed on the attached PTO-1449-Form to the Examiner's attention and request that they be considered and made of record in this application. Copies of the patents are attached.

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Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. JP-60-125794 appears to disclose a pump with an electric motor in which the voltage is varied. An English abstract of this publication is provided to better understand this reference.

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. JP-1-240781 appears to disclose air conditioner with a compressor that is controlled so as to decrease a compressor current in

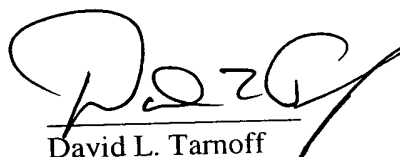
accordance with voltage being supplied. An English abstract of this publication is provided to better understand this reference.

International Patent Publication No. WO 99/45276 appears to disclose a pump with an electric motor in which a control device regulates the rotational speed of the motor to control the shaft power characteristic of the pump.

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Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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